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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, MILLENNIUM CHEMICALS INC., 4% Senior Convertible Debentures due November 15, 2023 and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on November 16, 2004. Tentative listing date – Not yet determined.

Sincerely,

Paras Meadho